## **ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

Sealed Bid Proposals will be received by Construction Administration, The University of Alabama, 1205 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401, on Tuesday, November 10, 2009 until 2:00pm CST. for construction of the Gorgas Library First Floor Refurbishing Project at The University of Alabama, UA Project # 013-09-101, at which time they will be opened and read.

General Contractors and Subcontractors in the trades of mechanical and electrical are required to prequalify prior to requesting Bid Documents. If you are not on the University's Master Prequalification List and are interested in being prequalified for this Project, please request a Prequalification Request Packet from the Office of Construction Administration, The University of Alabama, 1205 14th Street, Tuscaloosa, AL 35401, Attention: Ms. Garnette Hatchett, UA Project Manager at 205-348-5688. Return two (2) copies of your firm's qualifications in the format described in the Prequalification Request Packet to the Office of Construction Administration, The University of Alabama, 1205 14th Street, Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401, Attention: Ms. Garnette Hatchett, UA Project Manager on or before 5:00pm CDT, Tuesday, October 20, 2009. Only on-time, hard copies will be accepted. Faxed, e-mailed, or late submittals will not be accepted. In reviewing the submittals, emphasis will be placed on your firm's experience with projects similar in size and type to this project and experience with projects on college campuses. For a copy of the University's Master Prequalification List contact UA Project Manager Ms. Garnette Hatchett at 205-348-5688. A written list of Contractors receiving prequalification to bid the Gorgas Library First Floor Refurbishing Project will be issued to all who requested consideration by 5:00pm CDT on Tuesday, October 27, 2009. Note: Any Contractor that has been previously prequalified for University of Alabama projects of similar size and scope within the last six (6) months, and who are interested in bidding on this project, may submit a letter to the Project Manager by 5:00pm CDT, Tuesday, October 20, 2009 requesting a waiver of the prequalification requirement for this project. The Project Manager shall advise the Contractor in writing by 5:00pm CDT, Friday, October 23, 2009 regarding acceptance or rejection of the request.

A mandatory pre-bid conference for General Contractors will be held at the Conference Room of the UA Facilities Administration Department at the above address at 10:00 am CDT on Thursday, October 29, 2009, and continue on to the job site.

Plans, Specifications, and Contract Documents will be available on Thursday, October 29, 2009, are open to public inspection, and may be obtained from the Architect/Engineer, Poole & Company Architects, LLC, 2 North 20<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 1610, Birmingham, Alabama 35203 (Phone 205-326-2206). Up to two sets of full-size drawings and specifications may be obtained by Contractors, upon request to Poole and Company Architects, LLC and upon a deposit of \$150.00 per set, made payable to Poole & Company Architects, LLC, which is refundable upon receipt of a bona fide bid and upon the return of the drawings and specifications in good condition within ten days after the bid opening. Deposit will be forfeited if the Contractor fails to submit a bona fide bid and fails to return drawings and specifications not later than seven days prior to date of bid opening. Contractors may obtain additional full-size sets of drawings and specifications for \$200.00 per set that covers the cost of reproduction and mailing. This payment is to be made by separate check, as it is not refundable. Subcontractors, Material Suppliers and others may obtain drawings and specifications at the cost of reproduction and mailing as stated above, which is not refundable.

Plans, Specifications, and Contract Documents are open to public inspection and will be available for EXAMINATION ONLY starting Thursday, October 29, 2009, at The University of Alabama, Office of Construction Administration, 1205 14<sup>th</sup> Street, Tuscaloosa, AL 35401. Plans and specifications will also be made available for EXAMINATION ONLY at Tuscaloosa Blueprinting and Reprographics LLC, 1926 University Blvd., Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35401; Reed Construction Data, Document Processing Center, 30 Technology Parkway South, Suite 500, Norcross, GA, 30092-2912; AESC Superstore, 3901 Greensboro Avenue, Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35405; Associated General Contractors of America, Inc., c/o ISqFt Plan Room 2801 5th Ave. South

Birmingham, AL 35233; and McGraw-Hill Construction Dodge, 3535 Grandview Parkway, Suite 225 Birmingham, Alabama 35243.

Bid security shall be deposited with each bid as provided in Instructions to Bidders. No bid may be withdrawn after the scheduled closing time for the receipt of bids for a period of 60 days. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to waive informalities. All bidders shall meet licensing requirements of Title 34, Chapter 8, Code of Alabama.

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